

CITY OF FAIRVIEW PARK

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Patrick J. Cooney, Mayor

GEMINI CENTER POOL RECONSTRUCTION UPDATE May 4, 2022

On January 14, 2022, the City provided an update on the reconstruction project for the competitive and leisure pools at the Gemini Center. You can view that update and accompanying photographs by <u>clicking here</u>.

The City's consultant has completed construction drawings and specifications for the work described in the January 14, 2022 update and all of these items are ready for public bidding. However, during the course of the original investigation it was determined that issues related to the pools themselves needed to be investigated before any work could proceed. The investigation revealed the following:

- Leak detection testing was performed and there is one leak under the deck area in the competition pool
- During leak testing it was determined that new valves are required in the surge tank to empty/fill the pool
- The pool finish cannot be repaired/patched or rehabilitated and all existing pool finish must be removed in both pools
- Testing pool concrete revealed high levels of moisture in many areas of the competition and leisure pools
- Materials were tested to determine if moisture in the pools' concrete would interfere with a future, new
 pool finish and it was determined that specific materials will need to be used to adhere to existing moist
 concrete
- Initial pool finish removal investigations revealed concerns about the pools' concrete walls
- Staging areas were constructed to remove large sections of pool finish and open sections of concrete walls
- Based on these investigations, it was determined repairs will be necessary in the walls of the competition and leisure pools
- The scope of these repairs is being determined
- An assessment on the removal of the pool finish and the time a contractor would need for the work has been noted by the consultant for reference in future public bidding

Photographs of the investigation work completed to date can be viewed by clicking here.

Based on the extent of the work and the amount of money needed for the repairs, it is critical that this reconstruction be completed efficiently and in the most cost-effective manner. Thus, the City is making thorough, professional investigations to ensure all of the necessary work is identified. Unfortunately, there is no estimate for when the aquatics center will reopen, but the City will continue to provide updates on the project on our website at www.fairviewpark.org. We thank you for your patience and understanding as we complete this essential health, safety, and welfare project. Should you have any questions regarding the closure or the project, please contact the Mayor's Office at (440) 356-4411 or Mayor@fairviewpark.org.

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